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## ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT November 2004

### Subarea Health Planning Councils (SACs) Activities

#### **Hawaii**

Dr. Lora Aller, a Kona physician in private practice, made a PowerPoint presentation on how the Kona community can work towards building a comprehensive health system with improved access to everyone in the area. Community members and health providers in attendance discussed challenges in recruiting and retaining physicians in Kona. Dr. Sakamoto hopes to meet with people interested in these issues to look at different solutions. The SAC continued its discussion on the air medical system. Issues that need to be examined in regards to air medical transports were discussed. Assessment of a design of an air medical system to best meet Hawaii's needs was suggested.

#### **Honolulu**

Healthcare system – Briefings and updates: Member Joannie Dobbs conferred with over a dozen UH faculty in nutrition, physiology, molecular biology, epidemiology, and bio-chemistry in the development of today's comprehensive summary. Ten goals/objectives were prioritized for maintaining health and for reducing long and short term health care costs are: 1) Health professionals and the public need to acquire adequate nutrition knowledge; 2) Do not fall into Decision Traps-The Ten Barriers To Brilliant Decision-Making And How To Overcome Them – nutritional malnutrition can be caused by medical advice or treatment; 3) Follow AMA's recommended intake of daily vitamins and minerals; 4) Evaluate diet prior to taking medications...the problem may be a nutritional one; 5) Deal with primary and secondary obesity thru fitness and diet; 6) Reverse obesity-change restaurant offerings and subsidize farmers of fruits/vegetables; 7) Routinely test for Vitamin B12 deficiency for people over 50 yrs; 8) Provide adequate pre and post surgery nutrition; 9) Give new focus to allopathic medicine; and 10) "Let food be thy medicine, thy medicine shall be thy food," Hippocrates.\*

#### **Kauai**

Injury Prevention - Keiki Car Seats: The Kauai County's letter to safety check

stations (65) asking them to enroll in training to become certified car seat technicians/inspectors to help with Kauai keiki safety because only 10% of keiki seats are properly installed was discussed. The Kauai Keiki Injury Prevention Coalition had to cancel a recent certification class because only 2 persons could attend the 4-day long training. The Coalition will evaluate whether the length of the certification curriculum can be modified. Members were treated with a viewing of the much lauded and powerful Shattered Dreams video on the subject of teen drinking and driving.

**Tri-Isle** A review of a CON application was held for Maui Memorial Medical Center.

**West Oahu** The West Oahu SAC did not hold a meeting in October.

**Windward** The information collected over the past year on diabetes activities will be shared with health groups to disseminate the findings. The SAC is interested in going through a goal and priority setting process. Workplace health initiatives are going to be investigated as a tool for changing corporate culture and getting results in terms of healthier, safer employees with lower health care utilization and costs.

### **Research and Statistics:**

The SHPDA website had 23,433 hits during September 2004.

The Certificate of Need Application Summaries and Decisions Files, Monthly SHPDA Update Reports, Web server Hits Statistics and SHPDA Calendar web pages were updated.

Added the Maui Bed Needs Study a presentation by the Hawaii Health Information Corporation to the SHPDA website at:  
<http://www.hawaii.gov/health/shpda/shmauibe.pdf>

Continued data entry of the 2003 Utilization surveys.

### **Certificate of Need Applications**

#03-17 Hawaii Radiologic Associates, Ltd. for the establishment of an outpatient computed tomography (CT) services at 77-311 Sunset Drive, Kailua-Kona, Hawaii, at a capital cost of \$1,125,000. Applicant has requested extension to December 31, 2004.

#03-28 Wahiawa Hospital Association for the relocation of Wahiawa General Hospital services (excluding SNF) from 128 Lehua Street, Wahiawa, to Waipio (Tax

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Map Key Nos. (1)9-4-006-001 and (1)9-4-006-002), at a capital cost of \$44,756,600. Incomplete. Applicant has requested extension to complete application.

- #04-13A St. Francis Medical Center-West for the establishment of a stationary MRI service at a capital cost of \$1,900,000. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions from applicant.
- #04-15 Kaiser Foundation Hospital, Inc. for the expansion and renovation of Moanalua Medical Center at a capital cost of \$68,450,000. Approved.
- #04-19A The Cancer Center of Hawaii, LLC for the change of ownership of the Radiation Therapy service at Mama Lau Cancer Care Center, 2226 Liliha Street, Honolulu, at a capital cost of \$2,400,000. Approved.
- #04-20 Big Island Air, Inc. for the establishment of Fixed Wing Air Ambulance service – Hawaii County at a capital cost of \$1,558,000. Incomplete. Waiting for revisions from applicant.
- #04-21 Maui Memorial Medical Center for the renovation and expansion of the hospital at a capital cost of \$42,000,000. October reviews.
- #04-22A Hilo Medical Center for the deletion of 11 medical/surgical beds at no capital cost. Reviewing for completeness.